Climate change is one of the most important environmental, social, and economic issues faced by the world today. The impacts are most severe for the global poor, and South Asia is one of the regions highly affected by these changes. Climate innovation and technologies involve basic science and engineering, as well as information dissemination, capacity building, and community organizing. This three-day international conference will focus on approaches from the natural and social sciences to support economic development, particularly in developing countries, which face serious climate hazards along with food, water, and soil management and environmental justice challenges. The conference will bring together eminent scientists, policy-makers, and development workers in both nonprofit and profit enterprises to discuss promising new approaches for integrating science, technology, policy, and action. We will stress innovative applications of scientific and technical research to promote rural enterprise and broad-based improvements in nutrition, health, and living standards. This conference will also include opportunities for developing knowledge-sharing hubs, regional working groups, action plans, and pilot projects for regional climate change adaptation and village based agriculture enterprises.

Conference Themes

- **Climate Change**: Climate science and modeling; Impacts and adaptation assessment; Hazard prediction and preparedness
- **Water Resource Management**: Hydrologic modeling; Snow and glaciers; Water governance; Efficiency and innovation
- **Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services**: Status, threats to and management of biodiversity; Biological invasions; Carbon sequestration; Payment for ecosystem services; Ecosystem-Environment Linkages
- **Agriculture and Livestock**: Climate resilient cropping; Modeling changing crop distribution
- **Gender and Livelihood**: Nutrition, health and well-being; Environmental justice; Development for marginalized groups; Women's empowerment and enterprises

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Please submit abstracts online at [http://climdev17.org](http://climdev17.org)

Abstracts should be related to the theme of the conference and should not exceed 250 words.

Deadlines

- Abstract submission: August 15, 2016
- Abstract selection notification: September 15, 2016
- Early bird registration: November 30, 2016
- Final paper submission to peer-reviewed journal special issue: May 1, 2017

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**Limited number of students will get 25% discount in registration fee
Publications

All the selected abstracts for the conference will be published in a conference pre-proceedings volume at no additional cost. Selected papers will also be considered for publication in special issues of the peer-reviewed journals Climate and Environments.

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